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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, SREF, SF, LT, (WOODS, DONALD)

SUBJECT: FLIGHT OF DONALD WOODS TO LESOTHO

REF: (A) MASERU 2134 (B) STATE 310929 (C) MASERU 2138

1. APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION IN REF (C) THAT WOODS FAMILY  
HAS ARRIVED IN LESOTHO. PLEASE THANK BRITISH FOR KEEPING  
US INFORMED AND ASSURE THEM THAT THERE IS DEEP INTEREST  
IN THIS CASE HERE.

2. WHILE REQUESTS FOR COMMENT ON CASE MAY BE POSED TO YOU  
IN TERMS OF ASYLUM, WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE YOUR REPLY  
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ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: QUOTE: IF MR. WOODS WERE TO APPLY  
FOR ENTRY INTO THE US, I AM CONFIDENT THAT HIS REQUEST  
WOULD BE GIVEN PROMPT CONSIDERATION. I CANNOT SPECULATE  
FURTHER ON THE HYPOTHETICAL CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THIS  
QUESTION MIGHT ARISE. UNQUOTE.

3. WHILE IT APPEARS THAT WOODS WISHES TO GO TO UK AND THAT

HE HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO RESIDE THERE, HE OR MOFFATT  
MAY RAISE WITH YOU THE QUESTION OF ENTRY INTO THE US.  
YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT SEVE MODALITIES EXIST FOR  
THIS ANOTHAT WE WOULD PREFER TO DISCUS THE VARIOUS ALTER-  
NATIVES INFORMALLY BEFORE WOODS MAKES A FORMAL OR INDEED  
PUBLIC REQUEST FOR ENTRY UNDER ANY PARTICULAR CATEGORY. CHRISTOPHER

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